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PROBATE COURT LOCATIONS

House Bill 4455

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Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4455 AS INTRODUCED 2-22-95

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act (RJA) to delete language requiring a probate judge to "maintain an office" in the county seat of each county, replacing it with language requiring probate court sessions to be held in the county seat unless an alternative primary location was designated as provided by existing RJA language added Public Act 189 of 1991. Similarly, language allowing an office to be maintained in any city where sessions of the circuit court are held would be replaced with language allowing sessions to be held in any such city. A probate judge could continue to "maintain an office" at any place where sessions of the probate court are held. The bill would in addition specify that nothing in these provisions would prohibit a probate judge from holding a competency hearing at any site deemed appropriate by the court, as provided by applicable sections of the Revised Probate Code or the Mental Health Code.

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